

ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION
Division of Spill Prevention and Response
Prevention and Emergency Response Program

SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: F/V Mar-Gun Grounding St. George Island

SITREP #: 2

SPILL NUMBER: 09259906401

LEDGER CODE: Requested

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The US Coast Guard (USCG) Sector Anchorage notified ADEC at 6:15 AM on March 5, 2009 that the F/V Mar-Gun had run aground with five (5) people on board and was taking on water. The F/V Mar-Gun is a 112-foot trawl vessel.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 1:30 PM on March 6, 2009

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 2:00 PM on March 9, 2009

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: An unknown amount of diesel fuel has been released. The vessel owner and crew informed the USCG that there was approximately 15,000 gallons of diesel fuel, and an unknown amount of lube and hydraulic oil on board.

LOCATION: North shoreline of St. George Island, at approximately Latitude 56° 36' N, Longitude 169° 36' W. St. George Island is one of the Pribilof Islands located in the Bering Sea approximately 250 miles northwest of Unalaska.

CAUSE OF SPILL: The cause of the grounding is being investigated by the USCG.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Margun Enterprises, LLC.

RESPONSE ACTION: Dan Magone, with Magone Marine Services arrived on the island on Thursday evening and along with the captain of the Mar-Gun, conducted a survey of the vessel. The port side fuel tanks were found to be either breached or at imminent threat of breaching. There is partial low level flooding in the engine room. The USCG Pacific Strike Force Team departed Anchorage by C-130 this morning and will be arriving on St. George Island this afternoon with 6 team members and additional equipment for conducting removal of contaminants from the vessel. Additional USCG personnel, PRP representatives, and one ADEC responder departed today on a charter flight for St. George Island. A system is being rigged to shuttle gear between the vessel and shore using an inflatable raft. There is road access to near the grounding location.

SOURCE CONTROL: Prior to leaving the vessel, the crew was able to transfer nearly all the diesel fuel from the double bottoms to the wing tanks. In addition, the crew was able to plug the vessel's fuel tanks.

RESOURCES AFFECTED: There have been no reports of impacted wildlife at this time. As of Thursday evening, some oil sheening has been observed coming from the vessel.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Continue vessel assessment. Locate and position suitable temporary storage containers. Transfer fuel from vulnerable port side tanks to more secure starboard tanks. Begin transfer of lube and hydraulic oils from the vessel. The M/V Makushin, a salvage support vessel of Magone Marine Services, is expected to depart Dutch Harbor today and arrive on scene tomorrow afternoon. Develop plans to remove the vessel from this location once the contaminants have been removed from the vessel. Develop plans for conducting subsistence sampling of the area.

WEATHER: Mostly cloudy with scattered snow showers, temperatures in the mid 30s. South wind 25 – 40 MPH.

UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:

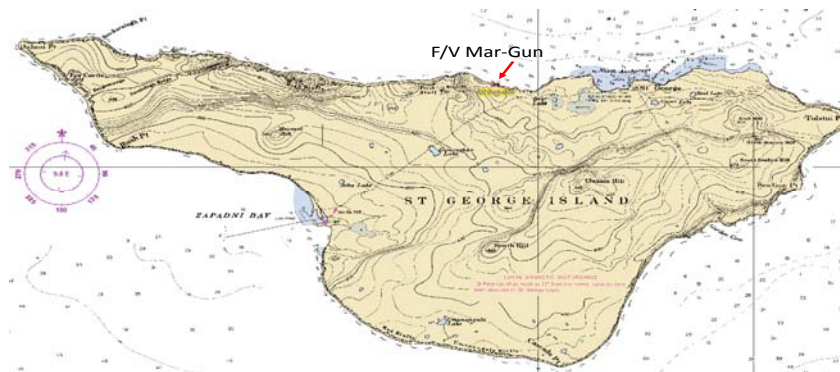
Incident Commander: Haresh Gidwani (PRP)
 F.O.S.C. : CDR Joseph LoSciuto (USCG)
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 L.O.S.C : Maxim Malavansky Jr. (St. George Traditional Council)

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